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Dr. Hager Speaks Here Wednesday For Fifth Annual Brotherhood Week

Greenbelters will turn out in force next Wednesday night for the fifth annual community observance of Brotherhood Week, Dr. Walter E. Hager, president of Wilson Teachers College, will speak on "Can We Afford Our Prejudices?" A group from the Washington Community Chorus, under the direction of Warner Lawson, dean of the school of music at Howard University, will sing. The program will be held in the Center school auditorium at 8:30 p.m.

Almost thirty community organizations are cooperating in sponsoring the activities during the week of February 18 to 25. In addition to the community meeting Wednesday night, programs have been planned for the schools and a short feature movie, "New Pioneers," will be shown at the Greenbelt theater throughout the week.

The auditorium was crowded at last year's program when Harold Russell, national commander of the Amvets, spoke to the Greenbelt meeting.

Last year Dr. Hager was Washington chairman of the Conference on Discrimination in College Admissions. He recently returned from a trip to France, where he attended the International Universities Conference at Nice. He was the first president of the American Association of College of Teacher Education, and was consultant to the Army in planning a program of teacher education for Germany from May to August, 1949.

City Offices Close On Washington's Birthday

Charles T. McDonald, city-manager, announces that although Thursday, February 22 is a state holiday, arrangements have been made to have the community building open for all scheduled programs on that day.

The city offices will be closed, and the city employees will have a holiday. Trash collections scheduled for that day will be made on Wednesday, February 21.

GCS Plans Further Venture Into Area Of New Food Store; Calls Members In

By Doris A. Mednick

Further expansion of Greenbelt Consumer Services in the New Hampshire Ave. Shopping center was the major highlight at the board of director's meeting last Friday night. A map of the expansion area was exhibited, and general manager Sam Ashelman told the board population figures, the number of car and home owners in that vicinity, the amount of traffic passing by the stores' location and that business potentialities in that area were very good. Many of these figures were obtained through a survey conducted by GCS, with the help of Maryland University.

Because building is going ahead at a rapid rate and a commitment for the rental of an additional store must be made as sooon as possible, the board advised the manager to get more information on the financial aspects of such an addition and be prepared to report back to a special board meeting to be held Friday, February 16. This meeting will be held in the arts and crafts room of the Center School so that co-op members can attend the board meeting. The additional store would be a combination drug and variety store.

Harry Zubkoff, Cooperator editor, raised two questions that he felt the membership would want answered concerning expansion: Would prices go down in the Greenbelt store as a result of a member-store in Takoma Park? He was informed that cooperatives do not have as their aim the lowering of prices, but aim to compete with other retailers. Zubkoff also asked "how patronage refunds would be affected?" It was explained that the more business done, the greater the amount of patronage refunds, and the people of Greenbelt will receive benefits if the business in Takoma Park is good.

It was reported to the board that the city of Greenbelt was suggested as the headquarters for a conference of education leaders and managers of consumer co-ops for next summer. These leaders will represent 20 to 25 societies throughout the country. The question of housing these delegates came up, but was not considered a major problem. Martin Bickford moved that the general manager go ahead and make plans to hold the conference in Greenbelt.

Membership Meeting

Carolyn Miller, secretary, read a report of the plans for the annual membership meeting scheduled for March 7. A departure from former meetings will be the scheduling of a discussion peoriod after each officer and committee report, rather than one discussion period at the end of all reports. Also, entertainment is planned. Members of the membership meeting committee are Carnie Harper, Doris A. Mednick, Bob Mitchell and Jane Volckhausen.

BROTHERHOOD WEEK FEBRUARY 18 - 25



BEGINNINGS OF BROTHERHOOD — Children playing together, learning to respect each other's differences and cooperate as individuals, symbolize the hope for world understanding and peace. This scene was photographed at the nursery of the United Nations Assembly at Flushing, Long Island.

Child Care Center Gives Benefit Movie

The Greenbelt Child Care Center will present a movie, "Mr. Music" at the Greenbelt Theater on February 22, at an afternoon matinee. Funds from this benefit performance will be used to enable the care center to make up a sizeable portion of its operating deficit.

In order to meet the remaining portion, and to prevent future deficits, the child care center will now accept enrollments for children attending three or more days per week, for a minimum of one month. This will be a fine opportunity for parents who in the past have desired to give their children the benefits of supervised care by trained and qualified personnel, but who could not do so on a full-time basis. It will also make it possible for some mothers who need free time to look for employment.

Athletic Club Invites All To Birthday Dance

The Athletic Club invites all members, guests and former members to their Washington Birthday Dance on Wednesday, February 21, at the Clubhouse.

The Clubhouse has been redecorated and a new floor installed. Dancing will be from 10 to 1 with music by the popular "Club Trio".

Boxing Show Saturday

By E. DonBullian

This Saturday night's Boys Club Boxing Show, sponsored by the Department of Public Safety, promises to be the liveliest one in years. The most aggressive boxers in last month's show have been re-matched with stronger opponents in addition to carrying over the two best bouts of that show. The DonBullian-McPherson and the Bryant-Powers bouts which contained the only contenders for the outstanding boxer trophy have been carried over. Both Greenbelt boys have been training very hard and should be in perfect condition, physically and mentally, to reverse last month's decisions. In fact the entire boxing team has been train-

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Drop-Inn Board Plans Benefit Style Show

The Advisory Board of the Drop-Inn at a special meeting Monday night presented Miss Ora Donoghue, who is leaving the Recreation Department, with a gift of sterling silver in appreciation of the work she has done for the Youth Center.

The Board appointed Miss Donoghue as Youth Counsellor to the Advisory Board, and welcomed as a new member to the Board Beverly Fonda who was appointed by the City Council. Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Kurth, recently appointed by the Advisory Board to serve as co-chairmen of the Parents' Guild, were also present to report on plans for their group.

Mrs. O. M. Slye and Miss Donoghue, co-chairmen of the committee for a fashion show to be given for the benefit of the Drop-Inn, announced that Jelleff's Department Store will stage a style show in the Center School Auditorium on Wednesday, May 2, 1950. Plans are to follow the show with a dance; committee will be announced later.

Legion Dance Saturday

The Greenbelt American Legion will again provide popular-priced social activity with a dance this Saturday evening from 9:30 to 1:30 Music will be furnished by The Five Melody Makers. Tables may be reserved by calling Bob Harrison, 2546 or Frank Comploier, 3481. Admission will be limited to couples only. Ample parking facilities are available without charge on the grounds of the Post Home on Southway Road.

Senator Demands PHA Reply On Greenbelt

(CNS)—Sen. Paul Douglas (D., Ill.) on Tuesday demanded a report "within 24 hours" from the Housing and Home Finance Agency on why the town of Greenbelt, Md., has not been sold to its residents as a cooperative.

Wallace J. Campbell, director of the Washington office of the Cooperative League of the USA, was testifying before the Senate Committee on Banking and Currency in behalf of the defense housing bill, S. 349.

Campbell stated that defense housing built in this emergency should be of a permanent nature, readily salable later to the people who are living in it. He offered this as a way for the Government to take itself out of the housing business project-by-project, and said that the most convenient machinery to achieve this end is through cooperative ownership.

Douglas interrupted to ask what had happened to the projects which the Congress directed by legislation must be sold to their residents. Campbell pointed out that, in the case of Greenbelt, the residents had organized a cooperative, which had qualified as the preferred purchaser and had agreed on a price for the project. The members have paid their membership fees and have made arrangements for equity payments, but the HHFA has delayed any action on the sale for many months.

A Cooperator reporter called Douglas' office late Wednesday afternoon and was told that no statement had been received from the HHFA. An item in Wednesday's Washington Post aroused much speculation in Greenbelt on the possibility of PHA action at this late date.

Prospects For GCS Board Of Directors

The list of candidates for Greenbelt Consumers Services board has two additions and one withdrawal to date, the elections and nominations committee announced, and it will not make any further nominations. Any member of GCS may submit further nominations to the offices above the drug store until March 1.

The two additions are Opie Stage and Calman Winegarden. Chester Tucker has withdrawn his name from the slate. Other nominees are T. George Davidsen, Martin Bickford, Kenneth Powell, Doris A. Mednick, Bob Mitchell. Elsie Reeves, Henry Walter, Eleanor Ritchie and Walter Bierwagen.

Ben Rosenzweig, who is at present a director, does not plan to run for re-election.

School Days

North End School students have gone over the top in their campaign for the March of Dimes. The children donated $177.35 to the fund, the largest amount collected in the three schools. A variety show was put on by the students to benefit the fund, admission being charged to the student body. The show brought in $31.61. In addition, the children filled two toy "iron lungs" with $2.15, and collections from each room totaled $143.59, with a grand total of $177.35. The principal and faculty of the North End school think the children deserve a great deal of praise for their industrious application to this cause.

Woman's Club Starts First Aid Course

The Woman's Club of Greenbelt wishes to announce the beginning of a Red Cross First Aid course, starting Friday evening, February 16 in the Home Economics Room of the Greenbelt Center school. Those who wish to enroll in this class are asked to contact Mrs. Charles M. Cormack, Greenbelt 3746.

Because of the fact that the Club wishes to cooperate in the observance of Brotherhood Week, its regular meeting scheduled for February 21 will not be held.

GIRL SCOUT COURSE

A course in Girl Scout leadership basic training will begin Monday, February 19, at 8 p.m. in room 225 in the Center school. The course is offered to anyone interested in Girl Scout work, and will continue for six successive Monday nights. Mrs. Ralph Shot of Beltsville is in charge of the course.

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Careless Kids Cause Greenbelt Blackout

Greenbelt was partially blacked out Monday night for several hours, because of a short circuit at the distribution lines. Police Chief George Panagoulis has learned the identity of the youngsters who caused the damage. Twice within the past year severe power interruptions have resulted from children throwing objects onto the distribution lines.

PHA Manager Walter Simon commented: "The recent power failure was an inconvenience to every resident of Greenbelt, as we are all dependent upon electricity for light cooking, refrigeration and heat.

"In addition to the inconvenience to residents and expense to the project resulting from such short circuits, there is a very real danger to children who cause such short [illegible] if the held on to any attachment to the object causing the short. It is thought that the two incidents mentioned were not caused maliciously but by children playing without a thought to the consequences of their action. Elimination of this interruption and danger of tragedy can only be secured through parents enforcing the rule that children must not play by throwing objects over or onto the electric distribution lines."

House Of Delegates Betrays The Voters

The Maryland House of Delegates once more nullified the expressed wishes of Maryland voters to rewrite Maryland's 84-year old constitution. The House voted 64-56 against the calling of the convention to rewrite the constitution, in the face of last November's election vote of 200,439 for rewriting as against only 65,998 opposed to the revision.

It was a case of the 20 less densely-populated rural areas being able to outvote the populous and metropolitan areas,—Baltimore City and County, and Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties. Under the present constitution, smaller counties hold the balance of power in both houses, and hence are able to maintain their supremacy by refusing to call the convention which might result in a new constitution which would reduce their voting strength.

[illegible] Delegate Leroy [illegible] phrey of Prince Georges voted against the convention, although voters of this county had approved its calling by 11,000 to 2000, a fact noted by another local Democratic delegate, Perry O. Wilkinson of Prince Georges.

Under the constitution, voters must be asked every 20 years if they want a constitutional convention. The Legislature killed a similar mandate from Maryland voters in 1930.

Notes and Notices

Sarah Gelberg 8511

If this column
you want to see
Every week,
written by me,
Have a party, a birthday,
or a baby, by gum,
Then hurry to the phone
and call 8511!

Brenda Gibbs, three years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gibbs, 16-C Ridge, had her tonsils removed Friday, February 9.

Mrs. Margaret Marcus, 44-D Ridge, returned home from Leland Memorial Hospital after undergoing an operation Wednesday, February 7.

Dr. and Mrs. William Eisner, 16-B Parkway, arrived home after a two-week vacation in Florida.

James Hicks, five years old, 7-K Southway, was rushed to Prince Georges Hospital Wednesday, January 31 for an emergency appendectomy and has recovered nicely.

Dr. and Mrs. James W. McCarl, 9 Forestway, entertained recently Miss Erenrigreta Sartoris from Guatemala who is presently attending Beaver College in Pennsylvania, and Mr. and Mrs. Jose Abelardo Aguilar, also of Guatemala, residing in Viers Mills, Silver Spring. Mr. Aguilar is Secretary of the Guatemalan Embassy.

Mrs. Pauline Trattler, 1-H Southway, won the title of "Mother of the Day" Monday, February 5, on the Dennis James' "Okay Mother" television show. Her daughter, Rhona, had submitted a letter nominating her mother for the award. The prize to be sent to Mrs. Trattler is a beautiful wrist watch. The Trattlers' new phone number is 3762.

Edward Brooks, 12-A Hillside, celebrated his ninth birthday on Saturday, February 10, with a party for his twelve guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Simpkins, 2-N Plateau Place, wish to thank their many friends and neighbors for their kindnesses during Mr. Simpkins' recent illness.

As I record a birth when requested, so it is with a death. Life is that way; it gives and it takes. When it gives, we accept, with out- [illegible] When Life takes, a beloved memory is left in its place.

Thomas Francis Burke, 2-A Research Road, died at 5:15 a.m. Sunday, February 4, at his home, following an illness. Mr. Burke was a maintenance man at the Co-op Food Store. He is survived by his wife, Catherine; a brother, James, of Mahanoy, Pa.; and six children: Mrs. Dorothy Link, Mrs. E. A. Mangold. and James Burke, of Green-

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GCS Members:

YOUR ATTENDANCE IS URGED AT A

SPECIAL GCS BOARD MEETING

THIS FRIDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY 16, AT 8 P.M.

In the ARTS & CRAFTS ROOM of the CENTER SCHOOL

An opportunity has arisen to strengthen our Co-op further by leasing a combination drug and variety store in the shopping center where our new Takoma Park supermarket is being built.
A prompt decision is necessary, therefore we are calling this special Board meeting to discuss it with you. Come and help us make a wise decision in this important matter.

— NOTE THE TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

GREENBELT Consumer Services, INC.

DOLLARS & SENSE

By Morris J. Solomon

WATCH THAT MEAT BILL OR GO BROKE!

LIVER - A BEST BUY - If you were to have only one meat meal a week, the most worthwhile meat would be liver—aside from wanting to save money. Liver is very rich in vitamin A, iron (sorely needed by many women and adolescents), and the B vitamins. In addition, scientists suspect that there are as yet undiscovered nutrients in liver which are very valuable. A liver meal can cost you very little if you use pork liver. Pork liver was selling at 39c a pound at Giant and Safeway. The Giant people informed me that their pork liver was bought frozen, was allowed to thaw out and should not be frozen again. It probably shouldn't be kept long before using. This is true of any liver, however. While I was not able to find out about Safeway pork liver, I suspect that their liver probably has been frozen too. The G.C.S. sells pork liver at 59c a pound (50% higher than Giant and Safeway). It is fresh liver, bought from local sources. Since it is bought fresh, G.C.S. has to be cautious about quantities purchased and runs out quite frequently. It seems to me that the 39c liver is the better deal. At the Giant and Safeway price, pork liver is a steal.

Beef liver ("Baby beef" at G.C.S.) was selling for 79c a pound at G.C.S. and Giant, 73c at Safeway, and calves liver at $1.39 a pound at G.C.S. and Giant, $1.47 at Safeway.

Why don't you try pork liver? Your family may like it. It is very tender meat when properly prepared. Since it is not a muscle meat, it does not have to be cooked much. The important thing to remember is to pour boiling water over it before cooking, and drain. It will taste better.

HEART - A GOURMET'S DELIGHT - Another excellent meat that is both nutritious and economical is heart (beef, veal or calf). Here is a meat that can be deliciously roasted, broiled, sauteed, stewed, stuffed, and braised. It has half the amount of iron as liver on a pound basis. It has three [illegible] as much iron as beef, five times as much thiamin, and eight times as much riboflavin. Here again Giant and Safeway had the best deal. Giant is selling beef heart (frozen, and thawed) at 41c a pound. Safeway is charging 49c a pound for veal heart. GCS did not have any heart of any kind for sale, but when they do, it is calves heart at 59c a pound. Calves heart usually sells at a premium because it is easy to stuff, and as such is considered a delicacy.

Some of the other organ meats you can try are tongue, kidneys, tripe, and brains. The latter two can be made into delicacies by a good cook.

CO-OP BREAKWATER BEST BUY - For an all-purpose synthetic detergent according to latest tests by Consumers Union, Co-op Breakwater wins top honors. It was found excellent for washing dishes and woolens. Whether it should be used for general laundry purposes (cottons) instead of soap flakes depends on the hardness of water. In any case the difference in cost between Co-op Breakwater and soap flakes for general laundry purposes would be quite small. So, if you want the convenience of one box on the shelf, Co-op Breakwater is your best bet. Co-op Breakwater and Tide were the only detergents that received the rating of "good" for washing cottons. The writer will consult expert opinion to determine whether Greenbelt water is hard enough to give Co-op Breakwater a decisive advantage over soap flakes for washing cottons, and will report such opinions in this column. Tide was a runner-up in quality and price (at current local prices even after considering the "Giant Economy Size" price). Co-op Breakwater is about 4% cheaper and is slightly better.

DIRECTIONS FOR MIXING SKIM MILK ON CO-OP PACKAGE MISLEADING - I suspect that many people have been repelled from the use of skim milk by the directions on the Co-op package. The proportions listed there are too strong for most people. Use ¾ cup of skim milk powder with 1 quart of water. Change proportion slightly to suit your taste.

COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Ministers:
Edward H. Bonsall, Jr.
Eric T. Braund
Church phone 7931

Thursday, February 15 - 7 p.m., St. Cecelia Choir; 8 p.m., Cloister Choir; 8:15 p.m., Church Women's Discussion Group at home of Mrs. Harley Mimura, 4-H Hillside.

Sunday, February 18, Second Sunday in Lent - 8:45 a.m., Church worship. Sermon, "How Christ Cures Leprosy," Mr. Braund. 11 a.m., Morning worship. Preacher—Rev. Maynard Catchings, pastor, Plymouth Congregational Church, secretary of The Washington Conference of Congregational-Christian Churches. Church school at 8:45, 9:50 and 11 a.m.; 3 p.m., in the Church office, pastor's class for church membership (first meeting). 6 p.m., Angelus Hour. Church open for meditation and prayer.

Tuesday, February 20 - Last evening for Christian School in the Nation's Capital.

Wednesday, February 21 - 7:30 p.m., Lenten worship service, Mr. Bonsall; 8:15 p.m., Senior Choir. (Choir party after rehearsal at home of Mr. and Mrs. Joslin in Lanham.)

Thursday, Februaryy 22 - 1:30 p.m., Lenten service, in charge of Afternoon Guild. Topic: "Mary and Martha."

ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor
Greenbelt 5911

Saturday: Confessions, 3 to 5:30 p.m. for children, 7 to 9:30 for adults.

Sunday: Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. This Sunday is Holy Communion Sunday for all children of the parish. Religious instruction for children attending public schools after the 8:30 Mass. Nursery care for children of parents attending the 11 a.m. Mass.

Wednesday: Lenten services, consisting of Stations of the Cross, novena services and benediction, at 8 p.m. Stations of the Cross in the afternoon at 2 p.m.

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of this week are Ember days (days of fast and abstinence).

Wednesdays and Thursdays: First Holy Communion class meets at 3:30 p.m., St. Hugh's school.

GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Edwin E. Pieplow, Pastor
Phone WArfield 0942

Thursday, February 15 - Choir meets at Mrs. Holien's, 2-F Plateau Place for rehearsal at 8 p.m.

Sunday, February 18 - Sunday School and Adult Bible class, 9:45 a.m. Regular church services with communion, 11 a.m.

Wednesday, February 21 - Lenten services at the Mt. Rainier church 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 22 - Lenten services at the Hyattsville Lutheran Church, 7:30 p.m.

Anyone wishing transportation to either of these services, be at the bank corner at 7 p.m.

MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Phone SHepherd 0035

Thursday, February 15 - Regular Fourth quarterly conference will be held at the church. Dr. Reynolds will be the presiding officer. All members are urged to attend.

Friday, February 16 - Regular choir rehearsal at the church at 8 p.m.

Sunday, February 18 - Sunday School at 8:45 and 9:45. Morning worship at 11 a.m. Sermon Topic—"The Face of the Master." The young people's class will meet at the 9:45 school session.

Monday, February 19 - Methodist men will meet in the home of Roderick H. MacKenzie, 10-S Plateau Place, at 8:30. All the men of the church and friends are welcome.

HEBREW SERVICES

Morris A. Sandhaus, Rabbi
Greenbelt 4493

Friday, February 16 - Services will be held in the Social Room of the Community Building at 8:30 p.m. Candlelighting - 5:30 p.m. Portion of the Week - "T-Zaveh". Sermon Topic - Building of the Tabernacle.

CLASSIFIED

DANCE. at the American Legion Post Home, Saturday, February 17, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Music by the five melody makers. Tables may be reserved by calling Bob Harrison, 2546, or Frank Comploier, 3481. Admission $1.50 per couple. Couples only.

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THAYER CARRIAGE, folding coach, bathinette for sale. Call 7821.

Co-op Commentary

Si Pearson, manager of the Co-op Pharmacy, reports that he expects to pass the 100,000 mark in his prescription files within the next few days.

Each new prescription received in the drug store is given a number and kept in a perpetual file, available at any time for reference or refilling. No matter how many times a prescription is refilled, it still carries the same number.

No doubt this file contains the names of most of the families who have lived in Greenbelt any time during the past fifteen years. It is, of course, confidential and open only to the pharmacist and the physician.

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The break in the weather on Monday of this week brought greatly increased activity to the Takoma Co-op store job. Concrete trucks cluttered New Hampshire Avenue.

A crane with beam extending sixty feet into the air lifted a ton of concrete at a time to the top of the building when the roof slab was being poured.

Work on the remaining buildings in the shopping center is also being rushed, and concrete forms are beginning to appear above the surface mud.

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George Spillman, supermarket manager, says there will be a cheese and wine demonstration team in the store today, tomorrow, and Saturday.

Representatives of a cheese company will be giving away samples of their product on crackers, and California Chamber of Commerce wine experts will give away booklets on the use of wine in cooking, and be prepared to answer questions. They're not giving away wine samples, George remarks sadly.

For an interested group, however, they make a special offer. A fifteen-minute technicolor sound movie is available on wine making, and a lecturer is provided complete with wine sampling for the group. (Sounds as if it might be interesting.) See Mr. Spillman to get in touch with the proper authorities.

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A drug salesman told us this week we should raise our retail price on his product. On Feb. 16 they had issued a new price list dated January 10, increasing our cost and setting new retail prices.

We pointed out that we would be violating the price freeze order if we raised our selling price. "But you will be breaking the Fair Trade Law if you don't," he told us.

We explained that if there was a conflict at the moment we would rather break the fair-trade law than the price-freeze law. The salesman was horror-stricken.

We have had several instances of price increases to us after the freeze, and when a relief plan is formulated by the government we are going to have to raise our prices. We hope to go along and continue to sell the items in question at a reduced margin or at a loss, if need be, however, until a relief order is officially approved.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

MARCH OF DIMES

To the Editor:

The dates for the opening and closing of the Infantile Paralysis Campaign for Greenbelt have come and gone.

Although the report for the City of Greenbelt will not be a very glowing one, I want to thank the Cooperator and Staff for their help, and all of the people of Greenbelt who contributed either their time or money to the "Mile of Dimes" campaign that has just closed.

I feel sure that the other approximately 1500 families who did not send in their contributions either "forgot" or had good reasons for not returning the envelopes, with even a dime to take care of the mailing.

One of the really fine gestures that happened during the campaign was when one of the window clerks in the Postoffice was asked by four young men, ages between 9 and 11, if they could see the Postmaster, and when I opened the door the four boys, Charles Callanan, Stephen Cunningham, Michael McGue and John LaMacchia walked into the office, introduced themselves and informed me that that they had run a "Magic Show" in one of their homes and that they wanted to donate the entire proceeds, $1.37 to the "Mile of Dimes" Campaign". I thanked the young men for their wonderful interest shown in the campaign and gratefully received their donation, for the cause that needs dimes so badly.

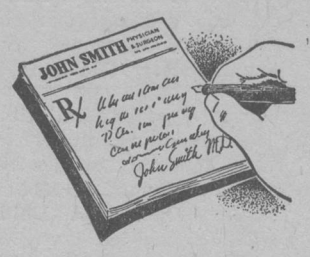
For the great number who received envelopes or who did not contribute to this, "YOUR MILE OF DIMES CAMPAIGN" which has in the past been such a vital help to the City of Greenbelt, I might add that although the campaign is closed, as to dates, your "Mile of Dimes" committee for Greenbelt would be very glad to hear from our neighbors who seemingly neglected this wonderful cause, which has done so much for both Greenbelt and Prince Georges County.

Very truly yours,
THOMAS R. FREEMAN
Chairman

"RIDES 'N' RIDERS"

The editorial in last week's paper about car pools was unfair, unkind, and untrue! Why not look at it from the drivers' viewpoint? After all, they too have to cope with the rising cost of living and transportation costs have really gone up. It probably costs half again as much today to commute to Washington as it did five years ago, if not more. Why shouldn't the driver pass this cost on to his riders? Besides, even the most expensive car pool in town doesn't begin to approach the cost of public transportation—and the rider gets the considerable advantage of being picked up and delivered with none of the inconveniences involved in the use of street-cars and buses. Anything short of public transportation cost should be worth it to a rider. Furthermore, it takes time to pick up and deliver passengers—as much as a half hour each

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During the next few days your CO-OP PHARMACY will fill its 100,000th prescrjptjon.

The lucky 100,000th patron will receive the following F R E E gifts:

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1 BOTTLE CO-OP SHAMPOO
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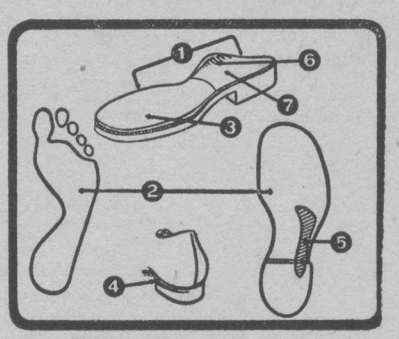


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day—and why should a driver be expected to do this as a neighborly gesture? Certainly he is entitled to some compensation for this "courtesy". And another thing—what about the deadbeats among the riders—those people who run up a bill with their drivers so high that they can never pay it in full? Many a driver has taken a beating from such inconsiderate riders—but what can he do about it? Sue? Of course not. I'll bet most drivers would be perfectly willing to become riders at the same rates they charge their passengers. But if they all did that, there wouldn't be any drivers. Then what would we all do? Of course, you can take the street-car if you wish—but I'll stick with my driver, and pay whatever he charges, too. I'm still saving money by not driving my own car.

OUTRAGED

DRY ROT?

May I commend you for your recent editorials on GCS educational and public relations program? You and I will be criticized for crying "wolf" in the face of 5% dividends and 2.1% refunds, but a successful co-op is particularly susceptible to dry rot as surely as education and public relations are not prosecuted all the time by a large and active and independent group.

A picture of any co-op is a reflection of the strengths and weaknesses, primarily of management, then of the board, finally of the membership. In our case the business is strong and credit is good; but education and public relations are treated like poor relations (for Greenbelt, at least), and personnel management seems, at best, a haphazard procedure.

Management can't be expected to be expert in every detail of operation—nor should it be so considered by a board elected by, responsible to, and, supposedly, responsive to, the membership.

I'm encouraged by new names on the list of nominations. I hope it means we'll have a board of DIRECTORS (bold, please!) that doesn't remember that "everything has been tried before" (when membership suggests more education and participation); that isn't more concerned with its own authority and security and prerogatives when information to the membership is in question (or when a suggestion from the membership hints that board actions or procedures—though perfectly legal—leave something to be desired from the standpoint of membership or public relations).

But, as you suggest, that is in the hands of "an active and informed membership", Wednesday, March 7.

VANDALISM

EDITOR:

Somewhere in the Ridge-Crescent hill area is a house wherein the parents have failed to teach their boy respect for the rights and property of others. My yard and the belongings of my children suffer because of that little vandal's habits of destruction and meddling.

Perhaps the parents concerned may recognize the culprit—he is about 12 to 14 years old, and came home around 10:15 p.m. last Friday night. As has been his custom in the past, he invaded my yard (part way up the hill in South Greenbelt), destroyed the snowman my children were so proud of, broke the broom the snowman held, and took away the broomstick as he crashed through the hedge in quick departure.

On previous visits he has broken the little fence I had erected to protect the hedge, torn protection from around a gardenia bush (which then froze), and has thrown missiles at doors and windows in passing. It isn't safe to leave anything within sight of this hooligan.

The boy is a pest now; he is good material for something worse, and undoubtedly will become that unless his parents educate him on a very important phase of decent behaviour and good citizenship—respect for the rights and property of others.

Readers of the South hill: which of you are harboring the 10 p.m. destroyer—and will you do something about it?

WESTWAY RESIDENT

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belt; Edward and Charles Burke, of Hazleton, Pa.; Mrs. Earl Bittenbender of West Hazleton, Pa.; fifteen grandchildren and one great-grandchild. The interment was in Mt. View Cemetery, Hazleton, Pa.

Because of space limitations, the Cooperator is unable to print the following stories this week: Health Department News, Fox Tales, Duck Pin Doin's, Bop's Club Activities, Gun Club News, St. Hugh's News, The Scouting Trail, and The Foul Line.

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ing diligently. The Panagoulis Trophy, to be awarded the outstanding boxer of the show, has created quite a furore among the boys, as every contestant in the show is eligible to compete for it.

Only the outstanding boxers of Lanham and Riverdale have been selected for this show, as the boxers from Berwyn have discontinued training. Efforts have been made to get several prominent juniors from other clubs. At the time of this writing, however, no definite pairings have been made. The purpose behind these invitations to other clubs is to match their more experienced boys with the better Greenbelt boys, who are running out of opponents. One thing is certain, this show will have the best boxers in this area.

The Greenbelt Boys Club wishes to publicly thank and acknowledge the valuable assistance and cooperation of the Department of Public Safety, in sponsoring their boxing show. It is the first organization in Greenbelt to come forward and give the boys a hand in carrying on their activities.

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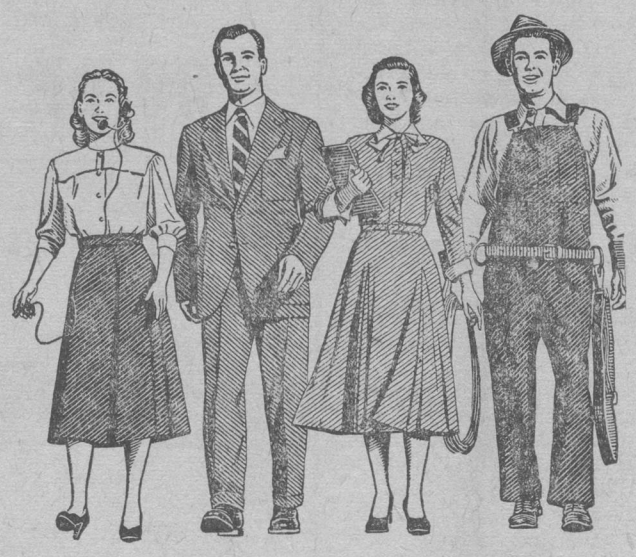
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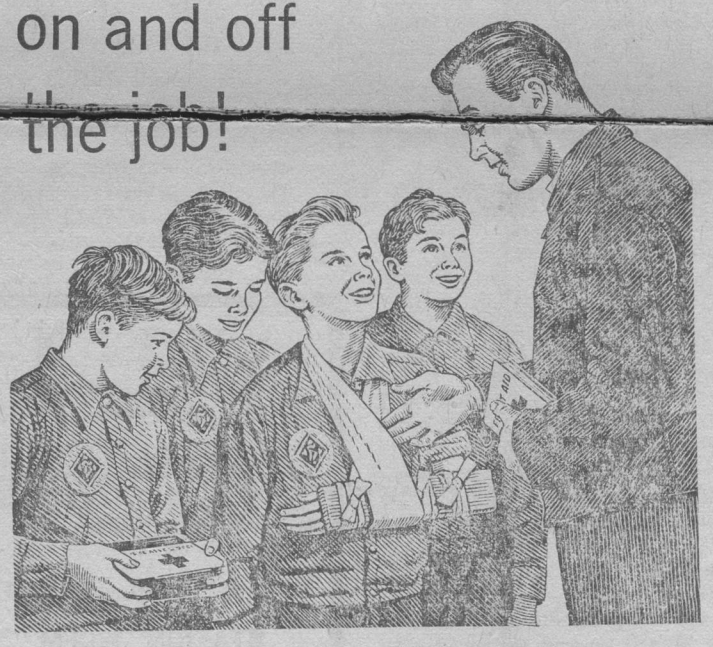
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